Record Nr. UNINA9910457602003321 Autore Belasco Warren James Titolo Meals to come [[electronic resource]]: a history of the future of food / / Warren Belasco Pubbl/distr/stampa Berkeley, : University of California Press, c2006 **ISBN** 1-281-75255-X 0-520-94046-6 9786611752552 0-520-90400-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (397 p.) Collana California studies in food and culture;; 16 641.3009 Disciplina Soggetti Food supply Food - History Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 317-331) and index. Front matter -- CONTENTS -- PREFACE -- PART I. DEBATING THE Nota di contenuto FUTURE OF FOOD: THE BATTLE OF THE THINK TANKS -- PART II. IMAGINING THE FUTURE OF FOOD: SPECULATIVE FICTION -- PART III. THINGS TO COME: THREE CORNUCOPIAN FUTURES -- POSTSCRIPT --NOTES -- SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY -- ACKNOWLEDGMENTS -- INDEX Sommario/riassunto In this provocative and lively addition to his acclaimed writings on food. Warren Belasco takes a sweeping look at a little-explored yet timely topic: humanity's deep-rooted anxiety about the future of food. People have expressed their worries about the future of the food supply in myriad ways, and here Belasco explores a fascinating array of material ranging over two hundred years-from futuristic novels and films to world's fairs, Disney amusement parks, supermarket and restaurant architecture, organic farmers' markets, debates over genetic engineering, and more. Placing food issues in this deep historical context, he provides an innovative framework for understanding the future of food today-when new prophets warn us against complacency

at the same time that new technologies offer promising solutions. But will our grandchildren's grandchildren enjoy the cornucopian bounty

most of us take for granted? This first history of the future to put food at the center of the story provides an intriguing perspective on this question for anyone-from general readers to policy analysts, historians, and students of the future-who has wondered about the future of life's most basic requirement.